



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Public Works and Services Committee

Chairman Terry McCarthy
Vice Chair Jason Meekma
Mollie Jones
John Tate II
Sandy Weidner

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 303

REVISED

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: 4 - Jason Meekma, Mollie Jones, John Tate II and Sandy Weidner

ABSENT: 1 - Terry McCarthy

Also Present: Mark Yehlen, Tom Eeg, John Rooney, Jim Palenick, Cari Greving, Patrick Leary, Tom Karkow

Approval of Minutes for the June 27, 2017 Meeting.

The minutes of the June 27, 2017 meeting were approved as printed.

[608-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Cari Greving, on behalf of Bigsley Event House (dba The Color Run), requesting to use City right-of-way for The Color Run on September 16, 2017.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 07-11-17: Permission be granted to Bigsley Event House to close the following streets and to utilize certain other City streets, as indicated, on their race map, for The Color Run on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Pershing Park Drive from 6th Street to 11th Street
11th Street from Main Street to Pershing Park Drive
Main Street from 10th Street to 11th Street
10th Street from Main Street to Lake Avenue
Lake Avenue from 10th Street to State Street
6th Street from Pershing Park Drive to Center Street
7th Street from Lake Avenue to Center Street
Main Street from 7th Street to Main Street Bridge
Gaslight Drive from Lake Avenue to cul-de-sac

2nd Street from Main Street to Wisconsin Avenue
Wisconsin Avenue from 2nd Street to 3rd Street
3rd Street from Wisconsin Avenue to Main Street

with the following stipulations:

- A. A hold harmless agreement be executed and a \$100.00 processing fee paid.
- B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.
- C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.
- D. The sponsor shall notify all abutting property owners seventy-two (72) hours in advance of this event.
- E. The sponsor shall pay a \$1,700.00 special event fee.
- F. If required, sponsor shall be responsible for submitting a Temporary Traffic Control Plan to the Engineering Department for approval, and providing and removing all temporary traffic control devices and detour signs.
- G. If required, sponsor shall provide a detour plan for the closure of all State connecting Highways, arterial and collector streets to the City Engineer for approval.
- H. Sponsor shall pay \$750.00 for street sweeping.
- I. If required, sponsor shall install parking meter hoods or temporary parking signs at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the event and if this is not done, sponsor is responsible for vehicle towing and parking violation expenses of the violators.
- J. Sponsor shall pay \$6.25 per impacted parking meter.

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works, City Engineer and Chief of Police provide limited assistance, in the interest of public safety, to implement this event.

Fiscal Note: There will be nominal costs to the various City departments, on a regular shift basis, to assist in implementing this event.

Tom Eeg outlined the details of the request.

Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Jones to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

[632-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 9th District requesting a preliminary resolution for paving the (NS) alley bounded by Blaine Avenue to Hayes Avenue; Lindermann Avenue to Washington Avenue.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

07-11-17: That a preliminary resolution be introduced for the paving of the (NS) alley bounded by Blaine Avenue to Hayes Avenue; Lindermann Avenue to Washington Avenue.

Fiscal Note: This is an assessable alley project and, therefore, all costs will be paid by the abutting property owners.

Tom Eeg outlined the details of the request.

Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Tate to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

[656-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20160011, 2016 City Resurfacing (R1), A.W. Oakes and Son, Inc., contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 07-11-17: That Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20160011, 2016 City resurfacing (R1), A.W. Oakes and Son, Inc., contractor, as submitted, be approved in the deduct amount of (\$41,403.22).

Further recommends that the funding accounts be adjusted by the following amounts:

(\$326,442.80) - Org-Object 45040-57500, DPW Paving
\$ 40,680.00 - Org-Object 60484-57570, Storm Sewers
(\$ 38,605.00) - Org-Object 22640-57560, Sanitary Sewers
(\$ 14,122.94) - Org-Object 40104-57500, Paving
\$ 37,411.41 - Org-Object 40104-57500, Asphalt Resurfacing (Parks)
\$225,000.00 - Org-Object 22640-57500, Sanitary Sewer Paving
\$ 34,676.11 - Org-Object 45050-57500, Sidewalk Replacements
(\$ 41,403.22) - Total

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

John Rooney outlined the details of the change order.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Weidner to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

[657-17](#)

Subject: Final Payment on Contract 20160011, 2016 City Resurfacing (R1), A.W. Oakes and Son, Inc., contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 07-11-17: That the work done by A.W. Oakes & Son, Inc. on Contract 20160011, 2016 City Resurfacing (R1), be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$1,608,363.23.

Fiscal Note: Contract was authorized under Resolution 0177-16,

dated May 17, 2016.

John Rooney stated the work was complete and recommended final payment.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Weidner to approve. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

[587-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works submitting revisions to the proposed bulky and yard waste handling systems.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-27-17: Defer

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 07-11-17: Recommend that the Department of Public Works establish a bulky waste handling system to provide Solid Waste System customers means of disposing of large items of non-regulated wastes, and excess volumes of household wastes that can't be fit into solid waste cart(s). This system shall provide pick-ups of bulky wastes to individual residential customers through a "call in" system requiring the property owner to call the DPW Field Office at (262) 636-9126 to schedule a pick-up. Each residential unit, as determined by the City Assessor, will be allowed four "no charge" bulky waste collections annually. If a residential unit uses more than four bulky waste pickups, the property owner will be charged a \$50 fee per 5 Yard Truck collection. Residential customers shall also have the option of disposing of non-regulated household bulky wastes, at no charge, at three drop-off sites. Proof of residency shall be required when items are dropped off at these sites. The three drop-off sites shall be available as follows:

1. Pearl Street Facility (830 Racine Street) - Main Site - open Tuesday through Saturday, except holidays and Saturdays following a holiday, 52 weeks per year; from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
2. Yout Street and Edgewood Avenue (1936 Edgewood Avenue) - open Mondays and Wednesdays, except holidays, April through November, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
3. 19th Street and West Boulevard (1955 Grove Avenue) - open Tuesdays and Thursdays, except holidays, April through November, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

Fiscal Note: Implementing these changes will reduce the City's Workers Compensation (Org 11201 Object 51500) expenditures by an estimated average of \$100,000 per year.

These changes will allow four workers to be reassigned from the Solid Waste Division (Org 14006) to the Street Maintenance Division (Org 14010). This reassignment will be budget neutral but will result in more street maintenance being accomplished annually.

Jim Palenick stated that the proposed changes to the city's solid waste collection system are engineering solutions to operational problems, but they do nothing to change the city's overall solid waste management objectives. He stated it is in our best interest is to reduce the amount of materials going to the landfill. Once the landfill is filled up, it is unknown where the new landfill can be located and will increase the costs of handling landfill materials. He stated he wants to see if there is a regional approach to better coordinate and plan this. He stated a comprehensive solid waste system management is necessary for future handling of a landfill site at the most reasonable cost.

Mark Yehlen stated that he had discussed this item with Alderman McCarthy, and Alderman McCarthy recommended the bulky waste system be addressed today and that the yard waste collection be discussed at a Committee of the Whole meeting.

Alderman Tate questioned the timeline for when an individual customer can request the size of their issued cart size can be decreased. He stated he had residents that believed they needed a smaller cart to meet their needs.

Mark Yehlen stated the plan was to go with 95 gallon carts and that can be changed after a 6-month trial period.

Alderwoman Jones questioned if the plan was for two (2) bulky waste pickups annually.

Mark Yehlen stated that was his proposal.

Alderman Tate stated he felt more comfortable proceeding with four (4) bulky waste pickups annually. He also stated he believed the six (6) month trial period was too long for residents that need less storage.

Alderman Meekma questioned if the City would have a monthly pickup period for bulky waste.

Mark Yehlen stated the call-in system worked better as pickups could be scheduled away from days when street repairs or snow plowing were needed.

Alderman Meekma stated he was not comfortable with residents needing to contact DPW bulky waste and be charged for a pickup if someone else placed these bulky materials on their property.

Alderwoman Weidner questioned why illegal dumping should be a police issue. Jefferson Street roofing shingles were dropped on a residential street and when she called dispatch they stated it would be cleaned up on Monday. She also stated residents shouldn't be required to pay for additional carts needed.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Weidner to further recommend to amend the City of Racine Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System by changing "two" bulky waste collections to "four". Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Weidner to further recommend to amend the City

of Racine Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System by changing "residential customer" to "residential unit, as determined by the City Assessor". Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Jones to further recommend to amend City of Racine Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System by changing "resident" to "property owner". Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Jones to further recommend to adopt the City of Racine Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System as amended. Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Weidner to further recommend to change "six" month trial period to "four" month trial period. Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Tate, seconded by Jones to further recommend to approve the City of Racine Proposed Bulky Waste Handling System as amended and to further recommend that the City of Racine Yard Waste Handling System be received and filed. Passed unanimously.

Recommended For Approval

Public Comment

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

If you are disabled and have accessibility needs or need information interpreted for you, please contact the Department of Public Works, (262) 636-9122, at least 48 hours prior to this meeting.